THE CAFÉ TERRACE AND ITS GODDESSES

#123 The Five Girls' Oath

GRIT

THE CAFÉ'S GETTING DESTROYED!!

SOMEBODY HURRY AND PUT OUT THE FIRE!!

H-HEY, WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING, KATSUYO?!

WAIT THERE!!

DON'T BE STUPID!! COME BACK!!

YOU'LL BURN TO DEATH!!

IF WE AT LEAST HAVE THOSE, WE CAN MAKE THE CAFÉ AGAIN ANYWHERE!!

I'M GONNA GO AND GET THE UNIFORMS FROM THE CHANGING ROOM!!

NGH...!

I'LL GO AND GET HER!!

THE REST OF YOU, STAND BACK, IT'S DANGEROUS!!

MASA-HIRO-SAN!!

WHAM

SACCHAN, IT'S TOO DANGER-OUS!!

WAIT!!

MASAHIRO-SAN!!

KA-TSUYO!!

KATSUYO, WHERE ARE YOU?! COME BACK!!

DAMN, THAT'S ON THE SECOND FLOOR!!

THE CHANGING ROOM...

LOOK OUT!!

WHAT SHOULD I DO...?

AT THIS RATE, EVEN I'M...

COUGH

COUGH

I CAN'T BREATHE ...

BUT I'M ALMOST THERE...

MY EYES HURT...

EVERY-THING HURTS...

I'M SORRY EVERY-ONE...

IT LOOKS LIKE I MIGHT DIE HERE...

CRASH

CRASH

CRASH

CRASH

KEEP A TIGHT HOLD ON THAT UNIFORM, PRIVATE TATSUTA!!

GENERAL!!

GRAB

WHAT SHOULD WE DO...? THEY'RE NOT COMING OUT!

UWAAAAH!!

NOOOO!!

HERE THEY COME!!

THEY'RE BOTH HERE!!

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AH!!

KA-TSUYO-CHAN!!

COUGH COUGH

ARE YOU OKAY ?!

FWUMP

SORRY, I ONLY MANAGED TO GRAB ONE UNIFORM.

BUT WITH THAT, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO MAKE MORE THE SAME, RIGHT, HARUE-SAN?

HEY ...!

HARUE-SAN!!

YOU CAN MAKE THEM, RIGHT ?!

...

MASA-HIRO-SAN...

HIS ARM...

CRUMBLE
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WHAT A HASSLE, GETTING DRAGGED INTO THIS MESS!!

I DON'T CARE EITHER WAY, BUT WHAT ARE THEY GOING TO DO ABOUT MY BUILDING?!

THAT'S JUST...

WELL... SOME PEOPLE ARE SAYING THAT HE SET IT ON FIRE HIMSELF TO GET THE INSURANCE MONEY.

EVEN IF IT WAS GOING TO BE DEMOLISHED ANYWAY, IT'S SUCH A SHAME THAT KASUKABE-SAN HAD TO GO THROUGH ALL OF THIS.

OH MAN, IT BURNED TO THE GROUND...

THAT'S A PITY, I REALLY LIKED THIS CAFÉ.

I SEE... SO ALL OF THE EMPLOYEES ARE LEAVING, TOO?

THEY SAID THAT ONCE HE GETS OUT HE'S GOING BACK TO HIS HOME-TOWN.

I HEARD HE GOT BADLY INJURED, SO HE'S IN THE HOSPITAL.

WHAT'S KASUKABE-SAN GOING TO DO NOW?

TWO MONTHS LATER

WELL, THEN...

I'LL BE OFF.

I'M SORRY...

...FOR NOT BEING ABLE TO FIND NEW WORKPLACES FOR YOU ALL.

ONCE IT'S SPRING, THERE'LL BE PLENTY OF PLACES RECRUITING AGAIN.

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AKEMI-SAN, KATSUYO-CHAN, AND I ARE GOING TO RETURN HOME FOR NOW.

I'VE GOT SOMETHING IN MIND.

YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT ME.

...

I...

I CAN...

...TAKE CARE OF MYSELF, AT LEAST.

...

THIS GIRL... HAS NOWHERE TO GO, EVEN IF SHE RETURNS TO THE COUNTRY-SIDE.

IT SEEMS THAT HER RELATIVES KEPT PASS NG HER OFF ON EACH OTHER UNTIL THEY FINALLY K.CKED HER OUT AFTER SHE GRADUATED JUNIOR HIGH.

YOKO-SAN...

...IS THAT TRUE?

YES...

LOOK, JUST GO WITH MASAHIRO-SAN.

WHOVE

AH!

...

YOU SHOULD'VE TOLD ME THAT SOONER.

Y... YES?

AND KATSUYO...

...!

WELL, WHATEVER... EVEN IF I TAKE YOU BACK HOME WITH ME, I'M THE LAST OF MY FAMILY LEFT.

IF YOU'RE COMING, FOLLOW ME.

IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT THAT I GOT INJURED. DON'T BLAME YOURSELF.

HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO KEEP LOOKING AT ME LIKE THAT?

YOU MAY HAVE CAUSED ME A LOT OF TROUBLE...

BUT NOW THEY'RE JUST GOOD MEMORIES THAT I CAN LOOK BACK ON.

BUT...

KEEP WORKING HARD WHEN YOU GET BACK TO THE COUNTRYSIDE, OKAY?!

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF, KATSUYO.

...

I'LL COME BACK EVEN STRONGER THAN I AM NOW!!

IF YOU OPEN FAMILIA AGAIN...

I'M SORRY, GENERAL...

I'LL...I'LL DEFINITELY COME BACK SOMEDAY.

I WILL, TOO...

THAT'S RIGHT.

YEAH...

WE'LL BE STRONG ENOUGH TO PROTECT WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO US.

ME TOO!

...COME BACK TO FAMILIA!

AND WE'LL DEFINITELY ALL...

YEAH...

I'LL BE LOOKING FORWARD TO IT.

...LET'S GO.

AH... RIGHT.

I'M ALREADY...

...LOSING THEM...

THOSE FUN-FILLED DAYS...

THE PLACE THAT GAVE ME SUCH HAPPINESS...

IT'S ALL...

IT'S ALL...

UWAA-AAAAH!!

DON'T CRY.

THEY'LL ALL COME BACK SOMEDAY.

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THEY MADE A PROMISE, DIDN'T THEY?